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Easter

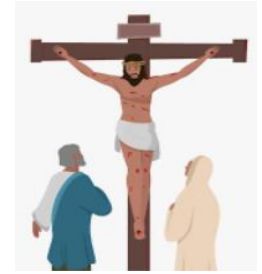


What do Christians believe?

Easter is the celebration of Jesus conquering death when he was resurrected from the dead.

Christians believe that Jesus died on the cross to forgive them of their sins.

Easter is also connected with the celebration of spring and bringing new life.



Key Vocabulary	Definition
Ascension	The moment when Christians believe Jesus went up to heaven, 40 days after coming back to life.
Ash Wednesday	The first day of Lent, when some Christians go to church and have a cross of ash put on their forehead to show they want to say sorry and make good choices.
Bible	The holy book Christians read and follow.
crucifixion	Death on a cross.
disciple	People who were friends of Jesus and were taught by him before he died.
Easter	The celebration of Jesus conquering death when he was resurrected from the dead.
Eucharist	The Eucharist, also known as Holy Communion or Mass, is a central Christian act of worship and thanksgiving.
Last Supper	The meal eaten by Jesus with his disciples on the night before his Crucifixion.
Lent	Easter by thinking about God, praying, and sometimes giving things up to practise self-control.
Resurrection	The Christian belief that Jesus rose from the dead and was alive again after three days.
saviour	A name Christians use for Jesus because they believe he came to save people and bring closer to God.
temptation	In Christianity, temptation means wanting to do something that goes against what God teaches – even if it seems fun, easy, or popular.

Lent

Lent is a festival celebrated by Christians all over the world. It is an important period of reflection and growth and a time for new beginnings for Christians. This special time is used by Christians to show their devotion to their faith and get ready for Easter. Christians fast, pray and undertake acts of penance.

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, which is the day after Shrove Tuesday and therefore takes place six weeks before Easter. It ends on Holy Saturday, the day before Easter. Lent is 40 days long, as Sundays are usually not counted. This means that the timing of Lent is affected by the date of Easter each year. Lent begins exactly 46 days before Easter.



Easter

Easter is a Christian holiday celebrating the resurrection of Jesus Christ and it is considered the holiest day of the year. According to Christian history, Jesus was crucified on a Friday (Good Friday) and rose again three days later on Easter Sunday.

Easter marks the culmination of the Passion of Jesus, occurring after 40 days of Lent.

Easter always falls on the first Sunday after the first full moon after the spring equinox. This means that Easter can occur on any date between March 22nd and April 25th.

The Last Supper

The Last Supper is the final meal that Jesus shared with the disciples in Jerusalem before his crucifixion. During the meal, Jesus predicted his betrayal by one of the disciples and that before the next morning, Peter will deny knowing him three times. The Eucharist, or Holy Communion, is a Christian act of worship that recalls the Last Supper, where Jesus shared bread and wine with the disciples, symbolising his body and blood. Christians receive these things to remember Jesus' sacrifice.



Good Friday

Good Friday, also known as Holy Friday, is a solemn Christian holy day which commemorates the crucifixion of Jesus and his death at Calvary.

